

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 are pending in the present Application. Claims 1-16 are canceled by the present amendment. Claims 17-21 have been allowed.

I. REJECTION OF CLAIMS 1-16 UNDER 35 U.S.C. 103

In paragraph 2 of the Office Action, claims 1-16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 104 as being assertedly unpatentable over Haynes et al., U.S. Pat. No. 6,686,303. By the present amendment, claims 1-16 are canceled without prejudice in order to speed the Application to issue. The Applicants submit that the cancellation of claims 1-16 renders the Examiner's rejection moot.

II. CONCLUSION

Because the only claims remaining in the Application have been allowed, the Applicants respectfully submit that Application is in condition for allowance. The Applicants therefore request that the Application be allowed and passed to issue.

Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative.

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